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To: Field Managers
Law Enforcement Officers

From: State Director

Subject: Protocol for Handling Unauthorized Water Stations on BLM Border Lands

Humane Borders and other groups with similar ideals are interested in establishing emergency water stations in the vicinity of the U.S./Mexico border. Bureau and Department policy is being formulated on this issue.

Until that time, we will not issue permits for this activity. Should water stations be established without permits in the interim, we will deal with these actions through negotiation and/or administrative trespass procedures rather than through criminal charges.

Please gather all necessary information and refer these matters to the appropriate Field Manager.

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